

REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

1. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

The closest prior art of records WCDMA-The radio Interface for Future Mobile Multimedia Communications, Dahlman et al, (August 1998), Dahlma, while disclosing data processing at a transmitting side having a radio resource control (RRC) layer, a medium access control (MAC) layer, and a physical (PHY) layer for establishing transport formats to efficiently transmit data to a receiving side figure 3, it fails to teach or suggest the following method steps:

assigning, at the radio resource control (RRC) layer, a transport format combination set (TFCS) to the medium access control (MAC) layer, selecting at the MAC layer transport formats within said assigned transport format combination set (TFCS), transferring transport format indicators corresponding to the selected formats from the MAC layer to the physical layer, transmitting at the physical (PHY) layer, a transport format combination indicator on a dedicated physical control channel (DPCCH) to the receiving side, wherein the transport format combination indicator (TFCI) is appended to the dedicated physical control channel (DPCCH) based on the transport format indicators transferred by the MAC layer, as indicated in independent claim 10.

Conclusion

2. Since this application is matured into allowable status, prosecution on the merit is closed.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to AHMED ELALLAM whose telephone number is (571)272-3097. The examiner can normally be reached on 7-5:30.

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